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8 BEFORE THE FAIR POLITICAL PRACTICES COMMISSION
9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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| 12 In the Matter of |) | FPPC No.: 01/560 |
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| 14 WESTERN ALLIANCE OF FARMWORKER |) | STIPULATION, DECISION and |
| 15 ADVOCATES, INC., |) | ORDER |
| |) | |
| 16 Respondent. |) | |

18 Complainant Mark Krausse, Executive Director of the Fair Political Practices Commission, and
19 Respondent Western Alliance of Farmworker Advocates, Inc., hereby agree that this Stipulation will be
20 submitted for consideration by the Fair Political Practices Commission at its next regularly scheduled
21 meeting.

22 The parties agree to enter into this stipulation to resolve all factual and legal issues raised in this
23 matter and to reach a final disposition without the necessity of holding an administrative hearing to
24 determine the liability of Respondent.

25 Respondent understands, and hereby knowingly and voluntarily waives, any and all procedural
26 rights set forth in sections 83115.5, 11503 and 11523 of the Government Code, and in section 18361 of
27 title 2 of the California Code of Regulations. This includes, but is not limited to, the right to personally
28 appear at any administrative hearing held in this matter, to be represented by an attorney at

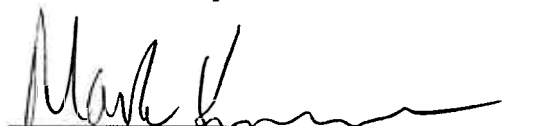
Respondent's own expense, to confront and cross-examine all witnesses testifying at the hearing, to subpoena witnesses to testify at the hearing, to have an impartial administrative law judge preside over the hearing as a hearing officer, and to have the matter judicially reviewed.

It is further stipulated and agreed that Respondent violated the Political Reform Act by failing to timely file twelve quarterly lobbyist employer reports, in violation of section 86117, subdivision (a) of the Government Code, and by failing to timely file four quarterly lobbyist employer reports electronically, in violation of section 84605, subdivision (d) of the Government Code (16 counts), as described in Exhibit 1, which is attached hereto and incorporated by reference as though fully set forth herein. Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate summary of the facts in this matter.

Respondent agrees to the issuance of the decision and order, which is attached hereto. Respondent also agrees to the Commission imposing upon it an administrative penalty of Twenty-two Thousand Dollars (\$22,000). A cashier's check from Respondent in that amount, made payable to the "General Fund of the State of California," is submitted with this stipulation as full payment of the administrative penalty, and shall be held by the State of California until the Commission issues its decision and order regarding this matter. The parties agree that in the event the Commission refuses to accept this stipulation, it shall become null and void, and within fifteen (15) business days after the Commission meeting at which the stipulation is rejected, all payments tendered by Respondent in connection with this stipulation shall be reimbursed to Respondent. Respondent further stipulates and agrees that in the event the Commission rejects the stipulation and a full evidentiary hearing before the Commission becomes necessary, neither any member of the Commission, nor the Executive Director, shall be disqualified because of prior consideration of this stipulation.

Dated:

19 May 2003



Mark Krausse
Executive Director
Fair Political Practices Commission

Dated:

April 29, 2003



George Ortiz, Representative of Respondent Western
Alliance of Farmworker Advocates, Inc.

1 **DECISION AND ORDER**

2 The foregoing stipulation of the parties “In the Matter of Western Alliance of Farmworker
3 Advocates, Inc., FPPC No. 01/560,” including all attached exhibits, is hereby accepted as the final
4 decision and order of the Fair Political Practices Commission, effective upon execution below by the
5 Chairman.

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7 IT IS SO ORDERED.

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9 Dated: _____

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11 Liane M. Randolph, Chairman
12 Fair Political Practices Commission
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